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Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; Re-opening Comment Period Pertaining to Chemical Testing Following a Serious Marine Incident

The Coast Guard is re-opening the comment period on the notice of proposed rulemaking (published Feb 28, 2003) or marine casualties and investigations; chemical testing following serious marine incidents. The proposal would establish Coast Guard requirements for testing within the 2-hour post incident statutory time limits, expand existing requirements for commercial vessels to have alcoholtesting devices onboard, and authorize the use of a wider variety of testing devices.

To view the existing docket in more detail or make comments you may use docket number USCG-2001-8773 and access the Docket Management Facility using one of the following:

- (1) Web site: http://dms.dot.gov.
- (2) Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov
- (3) Mail: Docket Management Facility, DOT, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington DC 20590-0001
- (4) Fax: 202-493-2251
- (5) Delivery: Room PL-401 on the Plaza level of the Nassif Building, 400 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC between 9AM and 5PM Mon-Fri

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